



# COLORADO

## Office of Emergency Preparedness & Response

Department of Public Health & Environment

Print date 8/5/2015

CASE NUMBER: 2015-0492

DATE ENTERED: 8/5/2015 TIME ENTERED: 12:52

WHO TOOK REPORT: ANN NEDROW/ NRC

DATE REPORTED: 8/5/2015 TIME REPORTED: 12:40:00 PM

NRC NUMBER: 1124824

CALLER: BRUCE STOVER

CONFIDENTIAL: N PHONE: 303-877-8414

ORGANIZATION: DRMS

STREET:

CITY: DENVER

COUNTY:

STATE: CO

ZIP CODE:

POTENTIALLY RESPONSIBLE PARTY GOLD KING MINE

PRP CONTACT: EPA SUPERFUND SITE

PRP PHONE:

ADDRESS:

EMAIL:

CITY:

COUNTY:

STATE: CO

ZIP CODE

EVENT DATE: 8/5/2015

EVENT TIME: 10:40:00 AM

LOCATION GOLD KING MINE, EPA SUPERFUND SITE

MILE MARKER:

CITY: GLADSTONE

COUNTY: SAN JUAN

STATE: CO

ZIP CODE

Latitude:

Longitude:

TYPE OF MATERIAL OTHER

MATERIAL1: MINE BLOW OUT WATER

QUANTITY1:

1

UNIT1:

MILLION GALLONS QTY TO WATER1:

1 UNIT1: O

MATERIAL2:

QUANTITY2:

UNIT2:

QTY TO WATER2:

UNIT2:

MATERIAL3:

QUANTITY3:

UNIT3:

QTY TO WATER3:

UNIT3:

SOURCE: X

SOURCE TYPE GOLD KING MINE

CAUSE: OTHER

CAUSE INFORMATION: While working on the portal for this mne/EPA Superfund Site, over a million gallons of water surged out to Upper Cement Creek, which leads to the Animas River. The water is very orange, carrying dissolved iron and zinc. Caller wanted WQ to notify downstream users that the surge is expected to reach Silvertown and downstream users shortly. Tom Schaffer was reached and is working on calling downstream users. They do not expect the water to exceed the banks of the river. Water is still being released more slowly from the mine site.

MEDIUM IMPACTED: WATER

☐ Fixed Facility☐ Land☐ Air☐ Groundwater☒ Surface Water

Waterway Impacted:

UPPER CEMENT CREEK

NUMBER OF DEATHS:

NUMBER OF INJURIES:

EVACUATION:

NUMBER EVACUATED:

ACTION TAKEN:

CDPHE NOTIFIED: WQCD: MICHELLE THIEBAUD, DAVID KURZ, TOM SCHAFFER, KC KAY, HEATHER DRISSEL, CAROL KEEVER; DRMS: TONY WALDRON, TOM KALDENBACH, RUSS MEANS, HMWMD: R BEIELE, E SMITH, C JOHANNES, S NEWTON, K STEWART, D FOSTER; CPW: MINDI MAY

COMMENTS: San Juan County EH: Greg Brand, B Joyce, L Mackenzie, N Sanchez, L Bryant

RESPONDERS:

RESPONDER COMMENTS:

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: